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## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DRAWING CORRECTIONS

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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In response to the April 25, 2002 Office Action, Applicant submits herewith two (2) sheets of drawings with proposed drawing corrections to Figures 9-13 shown in thick, black ink. Specifically, Applicant has replaced reference numeral "30b" with reference numeral -30b- in Figures 9-11. Also, Applicant has corrected a minor error in the lead lines of reference numeral 29b in Figure 12. Finally, Applicant has changed one of the reference numerals "66" in Figure 13 to --67-- to agree with the specification, as now amended by the Amendment filed herewith. Approval of these proposed drawing corrections is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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x42 = \$	x84 = \$420.
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